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Applicant/Patent Owner: Andreas METELSKI and Karl-Heinz WÄGER
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 Entitled: MICROSCOPE STAND, ESPECIALLY FOR A SURGICAL MICROSCOPE
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